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A man doesn't generally get a bad reputation without deserving it, but it sticks to him after he has ceased to deserve it.

Japanese marriages are rather temporary affairs. Miss Bacon, in her "Japanese Girls and Women," tells of a servant who was married, quarreled with her mother-in-law, got a divorce, and was back at work again, all within a month.

"The death of a well-known officer of the Twelfth Regiment from pneumonia, due to exposure while on duty in Brooklyn during the trolley strike," says the New York Herald, "is one more evidence of the cruel falsity of the reflection often heard upon our militia that they are only 'play soldiers'."

THE NORFOLK AND WESTERN RAILROAD.

The telegraphic columns of THE VIRGINIAN to day presents the reasons actuating the appointment of Mr. F. J. Kimball and Maj. Henry Fink as receivers of the Norfolk and Western railroad. The announcement that the road had been placed in the hands of receivers was a great surprise to all not familiar with the affairs of this great corporation.

MR. BORLAND WILL NOT CONTEST.

The Landmark of yesterday published a letter from Hon. Thos. R. Borland to Hon. D. Gardner Tyler, notifying Mr. Tyler that he withdraws his notice of contest to represent the Second District in Congress. In an interview with the representative of the Landmark, Mr. Borland states that his only reason for withdrawing is a financial one, and that while he believes that he would be seated in case of contest he is unwilling to go to the expense of an outlay of possibly \$10,000 to secure a seat in Congress.

THE VIRGINIAN has a high personal esteem for Mr. Borland. It considers him, however, greatly mistaken in his belief that he was elected to Congress. It is its firm faith that Mr. Tyler received a large majority of the votes of the district. A partisan Congress might, it is true, have unseated him, but that would not have altered the conviction that he was justly entitled by the votes of the people to represent the district in Congress. It regretted that Mr. Borland was urged to make the preliminary move to a contest, and it is gratified that he has concluded to withdraw from the same. The canvass previous to the election was conducted upon a high plane, as such contests should be.

The impression prevails that all contests on the part of the Republican candidates for Congress in Virginia will be relinquished.

FOR HOME RULE.

The New York Times says that there was some plain talk at the mass meeting held in New York city Monday night, and that it was demanded in the name of 150,000 voters that the people of that city be allowed to manage their municipal affairs in their own way, free from dictation of a boss or the meddling of a boss' hirelings. And why not? Surely a great city like New York ought to be permitted to manage its own affairs in its own way, and it is high time that boss rule was at an end there, as well as elsewhere.

Our contemporary says that the people of New York do not ask much of the Legislature, but they do ask for home rule, and in truth they

should have it. Indeed, every people should be accorded the right to govern themselves without outside interference, and there never was a period in the world's history when home rule was so much demanded, and, it may be added, that at no time has it been greater needed.

Just why the people, who pay the taxes, who furnish the means to support the government, should be denied the right to say how that government should be run is one of the things that puzzles, and every good citizen should do his part toward correcting the evil, and they will. The struggle between the people and the bosses may be prolonged for a time, because it is difficult to break the hold of "the gang," but in the end the people will win. Indeed, in more than one instance they have already won, but the fight for supremacy should be made until every last one of the world be rulers are dethroned. The fight for home rule must go on.

OF GRAVE CONCERN.

There is nothing new regarding the fate of the men who went ashore from the United States cruiser Concord a few days since, near China Kiang, on a hunting expedition. The original report to the Navy Department was that a small party of officers and marines went ashore at the port named and had been seized and carried off by natives, because one of the Concord's officers accidentally shot a native while hunting and up to this time nothing is known regarding their fate.

The Commander of the Concord has sent marines properly officered ashore to rescue their comrades at all hazards, and if the capturing Chinese are come up with, it is sure that some killing will result. There is grave concern felt at the Navy Department at Washington over the fate of the Concord's men, lest they have been summarily dealt with by the half civilized Chinese whose prisoners they are. The fact that the men were taken inland renders their peril all the greater.

WHAT ENTERPRISE HAS DONE.

The Lowell (Mass.) News, in speaking of the growth of cities has this to say of Atlanta, which may be read with profit by those who live in other cities:

"When the war broke out, Atlanta was a dull little place in Georgia with a population of less than 10,000. It has grown since then to be more than ten times that size; it has cast off the mantle of dullness and put on the habiliments of enterprise; it is the booming city of Georgia; it is alive with business; it is the Greater Atlanta; its manufacturing institutions are prosperous. From the Savannah to the Chattahoochee there is no city like Atlanta. By a count just made it has 108,644 inhabitants—twice as many as it had ten years ago—and more than half of them white."

What has been done in Atlanta can be done in Norfolk and there is no reason why it should not be attempted. We have more to build upon and greater chances of success.

WHO OWNS THE COUNTRY?

It is said that 20,000,000 acres of land in the United States are owned by rich Englishmen, and that 7,000,000 more are owned by the Dutch and Germans. This land is not for sale, and the way it is held it is said to be a serious hindrance to the development of many parts of the Western States. How far this may be true, of course, is a conjecture. If it is true, however, it only goes to show that unless land is bought for development, it is a detriment to the sections for so large an acreage to be held by people who are not of us.

Marriage of Mr. Gordon.

BALTIMORE, Md., February 6.—Miss Sinclair Montague, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Powhatan Montague, of 906 St. Paul street, was married to Mr. Basil B. Gordon, of Rappahannock county, Va., at 7 o'clock this evening. Bishop Randolph, of Virginia, performed the ceremony at the home of the bride. Only a limited number of invitations were issued.

Miss Montague wore a white satin gown made with a plain full train. Her veil of tulle was arranged under a tiara of diamonds and pearls presented by Mr. Gordon. Miss Katherine Montague, a sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mr. Douglas H. Gordon, the owner of the Baltimore News, was his brother's best man. Mr. Basil Gordon has been prominent in Virginia politics for a number of years and chairman of the Democratic State central committee.

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IN THE FEDERAL CONGRESS

Currency and Banking Bill in the House.

AN APPEAL BY MR. BROSIUS

Two Important Amendments. Mr. Bland's Free Silver Proposition Voted Down. Diplomatic and Consular Appropriations in the Senate.

By Southern Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, February 6.—HOUSE.—The boundary dispute between Venezuela and Great Britain over the delimitation of the frontier of British Guiana, was the occasion of the passage of a joint resolution by the House to day, recommending the parties to submit the controversy to arbitration. The joint resolution was reported from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and was in accordance with the suggestion of President Cleveland in his last annual message.

The currency and banking and gold loan bill was discussed five hours to-day after 2 o'clock under the five minute rule, when amendments were in order. The principal speech in general debate was made by Mr. Brosius (Rep.), of Pennsylvania, a member of the committee reporting the bill, who made an eloquent appeal, in the name of patriotism and duty, for united action to relieve the country from its present condition. The amendments proposed by the committee, with two exceptions, were agreed to.

The committee proposed to strike out the section to retire all national bank notes of less denomination than \$10 and silver certificates of higher than \$10 and to require State banks to keep their lawful reserves in gold coin or gold certificates. These propositions were rejected. One, offered by Mr. Haugen (Rep.), of Wisconsin, reduced from \$50,000 to \$20,000, the minimum capital stock of national banks; the other, offered by Mr. Hartman, of Montana, required the payment of half of the customs duties collected to be in gold and half in silver.

Mr. Bland's free silver proposition as a substitute for the bill was ruled out of order by Chairman Richardson and from that decision Mr. Bland appealed. No quorum voted on the question of sustaining the chair and the House adjourned.

SENATE.—Another acquisition to the strength of the Republicans in the Senate was made to day in the person of Mr. Clark, of Wyoming, who appeared and took the oath of office. The Senate now consists of eighty-seven members, of whom forty-three are Democrats, thirty-nine Republicans and five Populists.

The Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation bill was taken up to-day and a long debate took place upon an amendment reported from the Committee on Appropriations for the construction and maintenance by the United States of a telegraphic cable between the United States and Hawaii, and appropriating \$500,000 as a part of the cost.

The participants in the debate were Messrs. Hill, Gray, Teller and Hawley. The matter went over until to-morrow with a point of order pending against the amendment.

A substitute for the Chicago Post-office bill was reported, discussed and agreed to, and a conference asked of the House. The bill, as passed, makes a direct appropriation, but directs the work to be let out in contracts, the aggregate amount of which shall not exceed \$1,000,000.

At 5:45 the Senate adjourned.

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